

REMARKS

Applicant thanks the Examiner for total consideration given the present application. Claims 1-12 remain pending. Claims 1, 3-7 and 9-12 have been amended through this Reply. Claims 1 and 7 are independent. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

35 U.S.C. § 112, 2ND PARAGRAPH REJECTION

Claims 1-12 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite.

Claims 1, 3-7 and 9-12 have been amended to correct for antecedent basis and unclear terms and phrases as pointed out in the Office Action. In claim 1, “the AND” has been amended to “an AND operator,” as support by element 18 in Figure 1. Similarly, claim 7 has been amended to correct “the AND” to “an AND operator.”

In addition, claims 1 and 7 has been amended to clarify the output signal and the activating means.

Applicant respectfully requests that the § 112, second paragraph rejection of claims 1-12 be withdrawn.

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Conclusion

In view of the above remarks, it is believed that claims are allowable.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact D. Richard Anderson, Reg. No. 40,439, at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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